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7% on Advances against Goods in private
godowns.

F. LE BOVIS,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, May 13, 1892.

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HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-
ducted by the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPO-
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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at
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may transfer at their option balances of
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FIXED DEPOSIT at 4% PER CENT. per
annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation,

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager,

Hongkong, August 1, 1891.

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THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%.

do. 6 do. do. 4%.

do. 3 do. do. 3%.

Current Accounts.....2%.

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Hongkong, May 18, 1892.

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COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR
CHINESE.

RESIDENTS in the Colony would
materially aid the SENATE of the
COLLEGE by forwarding to the Adminis-
trative Hospital:

(1) Glass Jars (for museum purposes).

(2) Illustrated Papers and Books for the
Student's Reading Room and Library.
Address to

JOHN G. THOMSON,
Esq., Secy. to the College.

Hongkong, February 25, 1891.

Letter of various institutions!!! 1069

Intimations.

THE PUNJOM AND SUNGHI DUA
SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY
LTD., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA
ORDINARY General MEETING of the
PUNJOM AND SUNGHI DUA
SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LTD.,
will be held at the OFFICES of the
Company, Connaught House, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, at Noon, on M'DAY, the
20th day of June, 1892, for the purpose of
considering and if thought fit passing the
resolutions following:—

1.—That it is desirable to reconstruct the
Company and accordingly to limit the
Company to the Workings Up Coloured
Lode, i.e., O.D. Gourdin, Esq., to
be said Esq. is hereby appointed Liquidator
for the purpose of such Windup: Up.

2.—That the said Liquidator be and he is
hereby authorized to consent to the
registration of a New Company to be
named the PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED, with a Memorandum and
Articles of Association which have already
been prepared with the privy and approval
of the Directors of this Company.

3.—That the Draft Agreement submitted
to this Meeting and expressed to be
made between this Company and its
Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized
to accept the same and to sign the same
in the name of the Company, Limited, of
the other part, to be and the same is
hereby approved, and that the said
Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized
pursuant to the provisions of Section 140 of
the Company's Ordinance, 1865, to enter into an Agreement
with such New Company when incorporated
in the terms of the said draft and to carry the same into effect with
such (if any) modifications as the
Liquidator may think expedient.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by
the requisite majority they will be submitted
for Confirmation as Special Resolu-
tions to a Second Extraordinary General
Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

By Order of the Board,
A. O.D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1017

A LARGE SELECTION OF WHITE AND STRIPE FLANNELS AND SERGES.

TROPICAL TWEEDS, HOMESPUNS AND COATINGS.

TERAI HATS (ALL COLOURS) AND SUN HATS.

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&c., &c.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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GIN—PLYMOUTH, OLD TOM, VAN HOOGEN, U.S. BOTTLED WHISKIES, LIQUEURS, VERMOUTH, CHERRY LIQUOR.

ASSORTED FRUIT SYRUPS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, June 11, 1892. 1032

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FASHIONABLE MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, June 3, 1892. 931

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,

Telephone No. 35.

A TARIFF until FURTHER NOTICE AND SUBJECT TO ACCOMMODATION BEING AVAILABLE.

Board and Lodging by the day (1 person)...\$8.00. Sitting room by the day...\$8.00.

do. (for married couple)....\$7.50. do. month...\$6.00.

Board and Lodging by the week (1 person)...\$30.00. Extra Bedroom by the day...\$1.50.

do. (for married couple)....\$25.00. Bed and Breakfast.....\$2.50.

Board and Lodging by the month (1 person)...\$90.00. Children by special arrangement.

do. (for married couple)....\$135.00.

For further Particulars apply to the Undersigned at the Company's OFFICE, 88 and 40, Queen's Road Central, over the Hongkong Dispensary, or to the MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

JOHN A. JUPP, Secretary. 736

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

CANTON DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 43.

JUNK SUCK OFF LANKEET ISLAND.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the
WRECK referred to in Local Notices
to Mariners Nos. 42 and 43 has been
removed and the JUNK stationed
to mark the danger WITHDRAWN.

J. H. MAY, Harbour Master.

Approved, L. ROBINER, Commissioner of Customs.

Customs House, Canton, 15th June, 1892. 1003

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

A N EXTRAORDINARY General
MEETING of the MEMBERS of the
Club will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, at
MONDAY, the 27th day of JUNE, 1892, at
4.30 p.m., for the purpose of Confirming
the Resolution passed at the Extraordinary
General Meeting held on the 10th instant.

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, June 1, 1892. 1030

TAKLEMA COLLIERS COMPANY
MOJU.

IBIS Company having appointed the
Under-signed AGENTS for their
COAL, (Atakite and Daiso) in Honkong,
they are prepared to supply Coal ex Ship,
ex Godown, or trained in Bulkers, at
prices to be had on application. Copies of
Reports and Analysis to be seen in the

THE CHINA MAIL.



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NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,
FORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA.

ALSO
LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES,
BRINDISI,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND
BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
CATHAY, Captain A. SYMONS, with
Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched
from this port for THURSDAY, JUNE 23rd
June, at Noon, with the
44TH LEG. BATTALION, which vessel
will leave this port for the
principal place of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal place of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 5 p.m., on
the 23rd June, 1892. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agent's Office.)

Cargoes and value of Packages are re-
quested.

For further particulars, apply to the
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, June 15, 1892 1065

To Let.

TO LET.

"TUSCULUM," at MAGAZINE GAP.
FIRST FLOOR, NO. 1, BLUE BUILDINGS.
OFFICES—2ND FLOOR, PRAYA CENTRAL
(lately occupied by Messrs. DUNK, MEDEV
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SELF-DETACHED HOUSES, at MAGAZINE
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of the Old Bailey).

No. 8 and 10, WYNDHAM STREET (Nowly
built houses at lower end of GLENELVY).

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, June 3, 1892. 994

TO LET.

NO. 4, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
TUSCULUM, MAGAZINE GAP.
Nos. 2, 4 and 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (now in
the occupation of Mr. AU ATACK).

Apply to
DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.

Hongkong, May 31, 1892. 325

TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE,
KOWLOON.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, June 3, 1892. 810

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSU.
The Co.'s Steamship
Dove, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at
Noon, and not previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1074

TO SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Ningpo, Captain R. Koehler, will be
despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 21st Inst., at
Noon, and not previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1078

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUZU CANAL
The Steamship
Glenfield, Capt. T. DANE, R.N.R.,
will be despatched as
above at Noon on WEDNESDAY, the
22nd instant.

For Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1062

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

USER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE
AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT.

STEAM FOR SI GAPORE, PENANG,
COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN,
SUZU PORT SAID,
BRINDISI, VENICE, FUIME AND
TRIESTE.

(Taking cargo at through rates to CAL-
CUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF,
RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT
and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

The Co.'s Steamship
Metropole
will be despatched as
above on the 23rd Inst., at
1 p.m.

Cargo will not be received on board after
3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.
For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to

DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1079

To-day's Advertisements.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIC JO.
The Steamship
Dove, Capt. R. Jones, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on MONDAY, the 20th instant, at
4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1065

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,
the 21st June, 1892, at 2.30 p.m., at his
Rooms Queen's Road.

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE, &c.,
comprising—

T-PISTON-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,
MARBLE-TOP CENTER TABLE, CHINIAN
GLASSES, CHIFFONIERS, PICTURES, CARRIERS
AND RUGS.

DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, GLASS
BACK, DINER WAGGONS, CROCKERY, GLASS
and PLATED WARE.

WRITING TABLE, EQUIPPED WITH BOOK
CASE, and OFFICES AND STAND.

DOUBLE BRAID BEDSTAD, DOUBLE and
SINGLE BRAID BEDSTAD, DOUBLE and
SINGLE WARDROBES WITH GLASS DOORS,
CASES OF DRAWERS, BUREAU WITH GLASS
DRAWING TABLE and MARBLE TOP WASH-
STAND.

MINIATURE BOX.

1 ANEROID.
ARCHER'S EXCLUSIVE MAGIC LANTERNS
with a PAIR of POWERFUL LENS and 56
SLIDES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1084

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN
WILLIAM CROKER, late of
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong,
Engineer, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Honour-
able the CHIEF JUSTICE having, in
virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance 9 of 1870,
made an Order limiting to the 31st of
JULY, 1892, the time for gaging in
CLAIMS against the said Estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send in
their CLAIMS to the Under-mentioned before
the said date.

Dated the 17th day of June, 1892.

BRUCE SHEPHERD,
Acting Registrar.

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NOT Responsible for Debts.

Whether the Captain, the Agents, our
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during

their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

OMEGA, British barque, Captain A. V.
Brown, Master.

No First Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1892. 1080

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

CHEMISTS, &c.

Dakin's Seltzer
Water.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1892.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Empress of India | Saturday | July 9.

Empress of Japan | Saturday | July 30.

Empress of China | Sunday | August 20.

THE R. M. S. EMPIRE OF INDIA,
Lieut. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R.,
Commander, sailing at Noon, on SATURDAY,
the 9th July, 1892, with Her
Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VAN-
COUVER, via SHANGHAI, KOBE, IN-
LAND SEA and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
(In Mexican Dollars).

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

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One Way
Fare.

Prepaid Return
Fare.

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Mos

255 382 487

255 413 482

255 428 499

22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL

125

50 Cents per dozen.

ARRIVALS.

June 17.—

Triumph, German steamer, 675, J. Broth,

Haiphong and Hoio June 16, General.

EDWARD SCHELLER & CO.

June 18.—

Ningpo, German steamer, from Whampoa.

Don Juan, Spanish steamer, 654, R.

Baltzar, Manila June 15, General—BRA-
ZIL.

Toriano, British steamer, 1,109, Anderson,

Wuhu June 14, Rice—BUTTERFIELD &
SWINEY.

Bengal, British steamer, 1,158, R. Far-
quhar, Saigon June 14, Rice and Paddy.

Globe, Liverpool via Calcutta, June 11.

Friar, Danish steamer, 397, C. L. Strand,

Pakki June 15, and Hoio 16, General.

Arnold, Karskoo & Co.

Karskoo, British steamer, 1,038, A. Van-
derbilt, Philadelphia June 15, Rice—BUTTER-
FIELD & SWINEY.

Charder Toller, British steamer, 1,905, Alex-
ander Murray, Kuching June 12, Coal—MIT-
CHELLS & CO.

Good Luck, British steamer, 625, Hector M.

Croule, Teekoo June 12, Coal—MIT-
CHELLS & CO.

Greenock, British steamer, 625, Hector M.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

The *China Mail* (*Woh Tsu Yut Po*) received a private telegram from Shanghai yesterday evening stating that the Pool agreement between Messrs Butterfield & Swire, the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co. and Messrs Jarlino, Matheson and Co., has been cancelled since yesterday. The three Companies are therefore again competing with each other at reduced freight.

The *Shanghai Mercury* referring to the run on the Bombay branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, says:—We believe, the following is the correct report:—The Bombay branch had to pay away some 20 face of rupees, and the reason of the run is not known; the branch got no assistance beyond what it was able to obtain against security in the ordinary way of business, and the Bombay agent of the Bank has wired here that his position is strong, and that the Bank of Bombay will assist him to any extent against securities which he is in position to place if needs be. The incident, we should say, is entirely the result of the want of confidence inspired by the failure of the New Oriental Bank.

When the Captain of the *Bentley* left Hongkong (says the *N. C. Daily News*), he was supplied with a Government notification relative to the position of the wreck of the *Feling*. According to this, the wreck was—Gulfport Lightship N.W. & W.; Elliott Rock N.E. & E. Naturally supposing this information was correct he steered accordingly, with the result that at about 9 o'clock on Wednesday night he knocked the foremast out of the wreck. Fortunately no damage was done to his ship, but if a deep-draft vessel had been in the same position as the *Bentley*, it is probable that the bottom would have torn out of the ship, as she would have struck the wreck itself instead of the mast. The information supplied in Hongkong is very misleading. There is no Gulfport lightship, Tung-shan being meant, and there is no Elliott Rock marked on the chart. The wreck in reality is about one mile and a quarter to the east of the position given in the Government notification, so that Captains relying on the accuracy of the information may come to grief at night. The Customs have removed the light vessel from the wreck, so that the sooner the obstruction is blown up the safer it will be for navigation. In the meantime, the Hongkong Government ought to be furnished with the correct position of the obstruction. Captain Clark of the *Bentley* gives the position as follows:—Gulfport N.W. & W. westerly, Elliott Island (highest part) N.E. & N. northerly (magnetic). This agrees with the position given by the Coast Inspector under date 6th June. [It will be seen from our advertising columns that a new notification with reference to the position of the wreck has been issued.]

CHANG CHIE-TUNG is a stately and dignified mandarin, says the Shanghai evening paper; there is no unseemly haste about him, when it suits his purpose. As will be seen in another column, the Teung-li Yuen has occasion to telegraph to him in Ching-Han-nau last November, again in January. His Excellency delayed to give a telegraphic answer in March. Sir John has evidently converted him to the new cult of diplomacy.

In relation to the result of the late triennial examinations of Treasury accounts, which show that above £1,100,000 were in the vaults, the *Huipo* says that the credit of this gratifying report is to be ascribed to the action of the late Yen Chin-wu (a most capable and loyal minister) to whose administration the accounts were entrusted. When he took them over the accounts were untrustworthy and showing deficits, but from the time he directed state finance there has always been a surplus.

Until the third week in April (says the *Mercury*), grave apprehensions were entertained of a revolution in the interior of Siam. The Governor's report of the agricultural products in that province were, in the early spring, very gloomy. Owing to a drought last autumn it became necessary to remit taxes, and this year, although there were falls of rain and snow, they were scanty, not sufficient to saturate the ground. In the south where wheat is chiefly grown, the plant presented a yellow, withered appearance.

Four consecutive duels with swords were fought on the 18th inst. in the Bois de Boulogne by M. Roulez, a member of the Ecole d'Escrime Francaise, his adversaries being three young gentlemen, with whom he quarrelled at the opera, on the 16th inst., and one of the seconds, with whom he had a dispute up in the ground after the termination of the third encounter. M. Roulez severely wounded all his antagonists, one of whom, M. Blondin, is reported to be in a critical state. The four combatants escaped less than an hour.

The Rev. John McNeill, who has a somewhat eccentric pulpit style, has been taking his audience to task for smirking. At Dundee, the other day, he said he would rather a man walked out of the church declaring 'McNeill had insulted him' than smiting in his seat. 'Don't smile,' he said; 'this is what knocks heart out of a preacher.' Whatever way he looks he cannot even get a smile. Don't preach, like his preaching; if you do, don't put up a smiley smile over your face and try to smile when you just need. Let madness out, and, if you like, throw a hymn-book at my head.'

The *N. C. Daily News* says:—We are sorry to hear that there are a good many small shareholders in the New B.C. in Shanghai, and a great number of depositors who took their deposits over to the New O. C., which is still giving 5 per cent. per annum interest when the Hongkong Bank reduced its rate to 4½ per cent. It is hoped that deposits will eventually be repaid in full, but it is very uncertain how the shareholders will come out, and it is not very probable that the efforts which it is said are being made to reconstruct the Bank, will meet with success.

A SYNDICATE of Russian and French capitalists and bankers, with a capital of 150,000,000 rubles, has offered to build the Siberian Railway from Tchelstokine in Western Siberia to Sretensk on the Amur. The offer of this Franco-Russian syndicate is now being considered by a special Government Commission, and the Grand Duke Vladimir is strongly in favour of the railway being built by the above-mentioned syndicate.

M. ROLIN Jaccouelin, formerly Minister of the Interior in Belgium, and founder of the Institut du Droit International, has been offered by the Government, and has conditionally accepted, the important post of Procureur-Général to the mixed tribunals. He had previously accepted the appointment of general adviser to the King of Siam, at a salary of 4,000L. The Government have telegraphed to the King of Siam asking him to release M. Jaccouelin from his engagement.

The following appears in the Singapore papers of the 29th inst.:—The following telegram from Raub, dated 4 p.m., 28th June, 1892, has been received by the local agent:—Crushing finished; 750 tons yielded 253 oz. melted gold. Battery stopped crushing; no fuel to be had. Raub Hole. Resumed work on new shaft.

The reason no fuel is to be had is, that coal to it cannot be obtained except at prohibitive rates of pay, all available men being taken up by Government, at high rates, for transport service. As we said on the last occasion of a clean-up, low grade stone is now being put through the mills, owing to the absence of winding machinery.

A BERLIN manufacturer has received the following letter from a St. Petersburg firm:—It is intended to introduce into some of the prisons here microphones for the purpose of eavesdropping on the prisoners. I beg you to inform me by return of post whether you have manufactured such microphones, or whether you would be willing to do so. If you have any bag, to send me a sketch of what they are like.

That it sometimes pours in Hongkong when it rains, and continues to do so for a few days at a stretch.

That perhaps this week's rainstorm is as near an approach to the record-breaking flood of 1889 as any opening of the heavens we have had before or since that date.

That there may be some advantage in getting the month's rainfall crowded into three or four days, since the dread of serious damage has passed away.

That to the Department of Public Works credit must be given fully and freely for the excellent use to which the big sums of money were put in 1889-1890.

That to the late Mr Samuel Brown, and to his successor Mr Cooper, this credit is due.

That it is fortunate the Gymkhana was postponed from to-day until this day week, as the sports were neither boat-races nor swimming competitions.

That with good weather these monthly competitions ought to be very popular, and the promoters are to be commended for their pains.

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That brilliant stage evolution and pretty dances are all very well in their way, and are much appreciated by the public (more so, I'm afraid, than high-class music would be).

That, all the same, if the members of the Choral Society really think they have been remiss in their duty, let them go to the Director, and then ought to get every encouragement from the public in their endeavour to make a good impression.

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That at the same time the frequent lapses from the right path on the part of weak brethren—or on the part of those who are sometimes wrongly styled Portuguese—will have a prejudicial effect upon the Portuguese and the Chinese.

That the tendency gradually to do away with Portuguese assistance, and I know of none but that one establishment where no new Lusitanian clerks are to be admitted.

That it is to be regretted the innocent may have to suffer for the guilty, because much good work has been done in this Colony during the last fifty years by Portuguese assistants.

That, referring last week to the signalling by telegraph from Gap Rock, I have read the belief that the duty of telegraphing was included in the agreement of the lightkeepers.

That the presumption is this only refers to the telegrapher who is connected with the lightkeepers, and any additional duty imposed for the signalling of approaching vessels would naturally carry an extra allowance of pay.

That such extra allowance should not be very large, and, as you fairly put it, the duty would be more of a diversion than an income task.

That it may fairly be asked whether the petroleum disaster in France and Pennsylvania are not ominous warnings at the present time.

That the particulars of the explosion at Blaye—whether the catastrophe happened in an empty vessel or not—will be eagerly discussed in view of the transmission of tank-steamer through the Siu-ka Canal.

That there are reasons why these possibilities should be seriously considered here in Hongkong, although but little has been said as yet about the proposed port-store in Mong-Lok Bay.

That the temperature in the sun at Hongkong sometimes reaches a very high figure, and lighting like that which flashed over the Colony the other morning is a factor to be considered.

That the Probat of the Wharf-owners against the decision of the Governor to decline to hear Counsel on their behalf, was a reasonably-worded document; and it is perhaps, from a nautical point of view, the right thing to put it upon record.

That a perusal of the Protest and the Draft Bill will prepare on behalf of the pic-a-scher owners clearly show how mistaken was the impression formed by the Attorney General on this dispute.

That the Hon. gentleman's failure to conciliate the true facts and spirit of the wharf-owners' attempt to bring matters to a reasonable basis of settlement becomes painfully apparent.

That his denunciation of the Ordinance drafted by the learned Queen's Counsel as a bill "calculated to open the floodgates of litigation," turns out to be a strange misconception and a misnomer of language.

That I hear that the wharf-owners are likely to have the question of distribution settled in the Chinese tribunals in spite of the fact that the Attorney General has left the field to his local friends.

That, although every resident readily admits Mr Goodman to be an honest and painstaking official, he has succeeded in causing a reputation for getting "fogged" on a great many public questions.

That this peculiarity may be accounted for by the possession of a faculty for looking too much to details.

That few residents who have read the detailed account of the calamity which has swept over Mauritius will grudge the vote for the distressed people of that Colony.

THE *EE. Baudouins*, bound from Hankow into Woosung for coal, grounded on the Outer Bar, near Woosung, Spilt Buoy about 4.30 p.m. on the 9th inst., but she floated off again with the night tide, about 10 o'clock, without the assistance of a tug.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the *Shanghai Mercury*:—There is a curious story connected with the ship's bell of the *Peking*; it is contended that the bell was sprung, and consequently could not be heard so well, when rung in a fog, as a sound bell. It is true the old bell was sprung, but Captain Schulz took "time by the forelock," when he was in Kowloon Duck about Christmas, and had a new one cast, in which the metal of the old one was used. Unfortunately, Captain Schulz forgot to take the precaution and have the "rent" removed from the metal, before the old bell was melted down, so the old bell, rent and all, went into the new one.—The new steps have been taken to recover the bell from the wreck by professional divers, who serve as evidence.

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That it is the fashion in these days to speak with fervour of the ties that bind the various Colonies of the British Crown to the Federated British Empire.

That the existence of such colonies anywhere—in the Empires of China and Japan—is usually sufficient ground for the loosening of our purse-strings in Hongkong.

That Dr Ho Kai put it, what the Colony could do at present is far below what it would wish to do?

That it was reassuring to see how Mr Justice Pollock dealt with the negligence of a contractor.

That it is good to hear that "any one who digs a hole in a public road is bound to make something round it," so as to prevent that hole from becoming a man-trap to the innocent pedestrian or passer-by.

That it is still better to note how the Judge held the contractor responsible, to the tune of \$100 and costs, for the comparatively slight injury done to the plaintiff in the case.

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TWO DAYS IN A KING'S PALACE.
The following interesting account of a visit to the Sultan of Johore appears in *Edinburgh Review*.

Singapore, March 15, 1892.

My Dear Bobet,
We left Singapore at 7 o'clock a.m. The day was still dark, long shadows on the upper deck of the Empress as we steamed into the harbour, although the air resounded with the strange cockatoo-like chatter of hundreds of Chinese and Lascars workmen swarming in and over the great ships that lay in the dry docks of Tanjong Pagar.

A heavy of naked Malay boys had donned the American colors at the mastheads and anticipated our coming by rushing into their cockle-shell canoes and crowding close about our boat, yelling "Tuan, Dive! Dive!" I threw a dozen big copper coins overboard and in an instant a crowd of unclad forms hastened in the sunlight and disappeared in the tepid water.

We were on our way to Johore. Twenty-eight miles by water. Entirely around the island on the mainland of the Peninsula. The Sultan had invited us to be his guests at the *Istana* (palace) for a fortnight. Two days was as long as we could spare, and the guests in our party were looking forward with poorly-concealed pleasure, to the treat.

It was a delightful water trip. I always despair in trying to put my impressions of tropical scenery on paper. My vocabulary is too limited. I know that I may safely repeat myself. The something—the essence is so fleeting—so ethereal that when you have mastered it, it has vanished and only the pleasant flavor remains.

At last we left the harbour and entered the Straits, the emerald green of many bizarre islands obstructed the vision, and offered a grateful relief to the now blinding glare of the sun-burnt sky and dazzling reflections of the ocean. At times these islands seemed only inhabited by a graceful waving burden of casuarina and palm trees, and a band of chattering monkeys swinging gracefully from one to the other. On a dimpled isle we detected a Malay *kampong* or village, its umbrellas-like houses of thatch close down to the water, built upon poles set in the ground, and there was great rejoicing. With the end of the session it went down to 73 cents, and I had the propitious moment.

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